

**In the Specification:**

**Please amend the paragraph located at page 7, lines 15-23, so as to read as follows:**

The preparation part 2 has the metering hopper 21 serving as a dilution tank, a densitometer 22 serving as a measuring device and an electronic balance 23 serving as a metering device. The metering hopper 21, mixing the stock solution fed from the material feeding part 1 with a diluent liquid and preparing a diluted solution for diluting the stock solution, is not closed. The material feeding part 1 feeds the stock solution to the metering hopper 21 through a pipe having a valve V1 while the diluent liquid (pure water, for example) is fed to the metering hopper 21 through a pipe having a valve ~~V22~~ V2.